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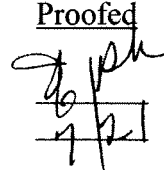
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Nelson, Robert P.

From: Buhrandt, Jeff
Sent: Monday, July 13, 2009 2:57 PM
To: Nelson, Robert P.
Subject: Veterans Education Grant Program

Robert-

We'd like to have legislation drafted that would change some of the eligibility rules in the Veterans Education Grant Program. It's our understanding that under current law, a veteran who is more than 10 years out of the service is only able to receive assistance through the program if they are enrolled in school part time (less than 12 credits). IN other words, a vet who is more than 10 years out of the service is eligible to be reimbursed for up to 11 credits. However, if that veteran takes a full course load, they can no longer get ANY assistance through this program.

We'd like to change this so that alls veteran in this service situation (10 years or more out), regardless if their enrolled part-time or full time, can get reimbursed for up to 11 credits for either a part time or full time class load.

Let me know if you have any questions.

Jeff

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*Ean Claire - Cliff Sorenson
will call, but did not.*



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~~Other~~
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PRELIMINARY DRAFT - NOT READY FOR INTRODUCTION

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1 **AN ACT** /...; **relating to:** the veterans tuition reimbursement program.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

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The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows:

- 2 **SECTION 1.** 45.20 (1) (c) of the statutes is repealed.
- 3 **SECTION 2.** 45.20 (2) (a) 2. (intro.) of the statutes is amended to read:
- 4 45.20 (2) (a) 2. (intro.) A veteran who is a resident of this state and otherwise
- 5 qualified to receive benefits under this subsection may receive the benefits under
- 6 this subsection upon the completion of any correspondence courses or ~~part-time~~
- 7 classroom study from an institution of higher education located outside this state,
- 8 from a school that is approved under s. 45.03 (11), or from a proprietary school that
- 9 is approved under s. 38.50, if any of the following applies:
- 10 **SECTION 3.** 45.20 (2) (a) 2. a. of the statutes is amended to read:

45.20 (2) (a) 2. a. The ~~part-time~~ classroom study is not offered within 50 miles of the veteran's residence by any school or institution under this paragraph and the educational institution from which the study is offered is located not more than 50 miles from the boundary line of this state.

History: 2005 a. 22, 25; 2007 a. 20, 200.

SECTION 4. 45.20 (2) (b) 1. b. of the statutes is amended to read:

45.20 (2) (b) 1. b. The veteran applies for the program for courses begun within 10 years after separation from the service. This subd. 1. b. does not apply to a veteran who is applying for reimbursement for ~~up to~~ ^{no more than} 60 credits of ~~part-time~~ classroom study courses.

History: 2005 a. 22, 25; 2007 a. 20, 200.

SECTION 5. 45.20 (2) (c) 2m. of the statutes is created to read:

45.20 (2) (c) 2m. Reimbursement under this section is limited to the tuition for 11 semester credits or equivalent trimester or quarter credits for any single semester or session, including a summer semester or session, regardless of the number of credits taken during that semester or session.

(END)

Except as provided in subd. 1,

(B)

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④ SECTION #. Initial Applicability.

⑨ (1) This act first applies to applications for tuition reimbursement for an academic term that begins after the effective date of this subsection.

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SECTION 1. 45.20 (2) (b) 1. b. of the statutes is repealed.

SECTION 2. 45.20 (2) (d) 1. (intro.) of the statutes is amended to read:

45.20 (2) (d) 1. (intro.) ~~A~~ Subject to subd. 1m., a veteran's eligibility for reimbursement under this subsection at any institution of higher education in this state, at a school that is approved under s. 45.03 (11), at a proprietary school that is approved under s. 38.50, at a public or private high school, or at an institution where he or she is receiving a waiver of nonresident tuition under s. 39.47 is limited to the following:

History: 2005 a. 22, 25; 2007 a. 20, 200.

SECTION 3. 45.20 (2) (d) 1m. of the statutes is created to read:

45.20 (2) (d) 1m. For courses begun later than 10 years after the veteran's separation from the service, a veteran may not be reimbursed for more than 60 of the credits to which the veteran's eligibility is limited under subd. 1. and may not be reimbursed for more than 11 semester credits or equivalent trimester or quarter credits for any semester or session, other than a summer semester or session, regardless of the number of credits taken during that semester or session.

**DRAFTER'S NOTE
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Please review this draft carefully to ensure that it is consistent with your intent.

I suggest that you share this draft with persons familiar with this program and the veterans tuition remission program for the UW and technical colleges.

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**DRAFTER'S NOTE
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July 21, 2009

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Ryan, Robin

From: Nelson, Robert P.
Sent: Friday, July 31, 2009 3:50 PM
To: Ryan, Robin
Subject: FW: LRB - 09-3137P1

Robin,

Can you look at this. I don't know the subject area so maybe Peggy has to check it?

Bob

-----Original Message-----

From: Buhrandt, Jeff
Sent: Wed 7/29/2009 9:02 AM
To: Nelson, Robert P.
Subject: LRB - 09-3137P1

Bob-

I've run the draft by some folks at the UW and at the tech and they seem fine with it. I think we are ready to go. Can we get a draft for introduction?

Thanks-

Jef

Jeff Buhrandt
Office of State Senator Pat Kreitlow
(608) 266-7511

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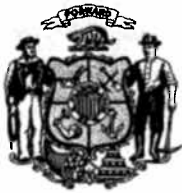
Conversation with Jimmy Stewart, DVA attorney:

If not part-time, cannot get reimbursement for any credits taken after 10 years.

What must begin before the 10-year deadline: the course, the course of studies?

DVA gives school and veteran latitude in determining this - liberal construction and function in 45.03(14)

RLR



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PRELIMINARY DRAFT - NOT READY FOR INTRODUCTION

Regen

1 AN ACT *to repeal* 45.20 (2) (b) 1. b.; *to amend* 45.20 (2) (d) 1. (intro.); and *to*
2 *create* 45.20 (2) (d) 1m. of the statutes; **relating to:** the veterans tuition
3 reimbursement program.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

INS → ~~This is a preliminary draft. An analysis will be provided in a later version.~~

The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows:

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(END)

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Currently, the Department of Veterans Affairs reimburses eligible veterans for tuition and fees for certain secondary or post-secondary education. The maximum number of credits for which a veteran may receive reimbursement is determined based on the amount of time the veteran served on active duty.

Under current law, a veteran generally must begin studies within 10 years after separating from the military to receive tuition and fee reimbursement for the studies. However, current law provides exceptions to this 10-year rule for part-time study. A veteran may receive reimbursement for up to 11 credits for a semester that begins more than 10 years after separation if the veteran enrolls in no more than 11 credits that semester; if the veteran enrolls in more than 11 credits that semester, he or she may not receive any reimbursement. Further, for a summer semester, a veteran may receive reimbursement for any number of credits, subject to maximum credit limits. Current law limits reimbursement for studies begun more than 10 years after separation from the military to 60 credits.

This bill provides that a veteran may receive reimbursement for tuition and fees for up to 11 credits for a semester that begins more than 10 years after separation from the military, even if the veteran enrolls in more than 11 credits that semester.

For further information see the *state* fiscal estimate, which will be printed as an appendix to this bill.

Parisi, Lori

From: Saxler, Charles
Sent: Monday, September 21, 2009 11:47 AM
To: LRB.Legal
Subject: Draft Review: LRB 09-3137/1 Topic: Veterans tuition reimbursement

Please Jacket LRB 09-3137/1 for the SENATE.